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SECTION 1. OVERVIEW

This system allows the collection and display of neurophysiological data during the time the experiment is being run. The system was initially designed for collecting both intracellular and extracellular evoked-response information. A 25-ms sample from two channels of analog information is taken periodically and processed. The two channels of information are sampled as closely to simultaneously as the instruction timing will allow (using an LSI-11, 30 μ s). The operating mode and intersample period may be controlled by the computer through a user-supplied time interval. It also may be driven by a Schmitt trigger through timing pulses during an experiment or from a recording.

The program runs in two parts. The first part (SETUP portion) allows the user to define areas of interest on the sampled waveform. The second part (experiment RUN portion) collects samples, looks at the areas defined in the setup, does some preliminary analysis, and displays the data on-the-fly at the terminal. The setup portion collects samples and displays the average waveform for both channels simultaneously on the CRT. The user may then specify time windows (which bracket features of interest on the waveform) by setting cursors on the waveforms displayed.

The user has control over the following parameters:

1. the operating mode, either event-driven or computer-driven
2. the number of signals averaged during the setup portion; the time domain amplification shown on the screen for setup; defining areas of interest on the waveforms, using time windows
3. determining whether voltage measurements will be made relative to zero levels or as absolute differences within the defined time windows (zero levels are continuously updated to negate the effects of DC drift)
4. scaling on the output
5. saving the results by supplying a file name for the data to be stored when asked

All programs are designed in a strictly modular fashion, which allows the quick and easy addition of analysis modules as required by the user. Modules are written in either FORTRAN IV or MACRO (PDP-11 assembler). Certain system routines are used from the RT-11 operating system; thus the use of another operating system requires the replacement of these calls with similar ones from that system.

The programs use named common areas in memory to allow new modules to access only those variables and flags that are needed. This technique effectively "hides" other variables and minimizes side effects.

Precision in the data handling is as follows. An input signal ranging from -5 V to +5 V is passed into a 12-bit A/D converter. This results in a discrimination of 0.024%

provided that the full 10-V range is used. The data stored in the data files reflect this precision. The average waveform plotting is correct to 1% of the maximum range on input due to scaling. The data graphing during the experimental run is correct to 2% of the range specified by the user due to scaling.

HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT

General User

A potential user should review the Figures and Output section along with this overview to determine applicability of this package to his/her needs. The user should also consult the hardware and software-module description (see Equipment section below). When the package is assembled and ready to run, the procedure description portion (Section 2) should be kept nearby for reference.

Programmer

All the code necessary to run this task is included in this document in the appendices. The internal documentation of the code and the modularity of the design should facilitate adding to the main code. If more off-line analysis routines are needed, consult Appendix E for the data file structure.

EQUIPMENT

Equipment needed to use the system is listed in the following.

Hardware

Hardware equipment needed is CPU, video terminal with graphics capability, A/D device, Schmitt trigger device, programmable clock, signal source ± 5 V, and parallel output port.

Software

Software equipment needed is the RT11 operating system and other program modules (RT11 is a trademark of the Digital Equipment Corp.):

swante.for
swanse.for
swanru.for
colect.mac
getbuf.mac (supplied by AFRI)
stimul.mac
plot55.mac (supplied by DEC)

CHECKLIST FOR PROPER SETUP OF SYSTEM

1. Ensure all equipment is connected as desired.
2. Turn on the LSI, terminal, disc drive, etc.
3. Boot system,
4. Turn on line clock.
5. Build task if not done yet.
6. Start task (RUN DK1:ALLFOR). The program is up and running if the CRT displays Figure 1.

WILL THIS EX. BE SCHMITT TRIGGER DRIVEN? (Y OR N)

Figure 1. First question asked when program starts

7. Answer all prompts.

SECTION 2. PROCEDURES FOR OPERATION

SETUP PROCEDURES

Baseline Procedure

The following steps must be performed to calibrate the setup. If the amplifier gain is changed after these steps are performed, the results will not be accurate in magnitude (although still correct in direction).

1. When the line is at 0 mV on the first channel, hit <cr> (carriage return).
2. When the line is at 5 mV on the first channel, hit <cr>.

NOTE: The <cr> must be hit while the line is at 5 mV; therefore, the longer the standard pulse, the better.

3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 for the second channel.

Amplification Procedure

After drawing the axes, the program will wait for you, the user, to tell it how much time to plot in the screen width. An amplification of 1 will plot 25.6 ms, an amplification of 2 will plot 12.8 ms, an amplification of 3 will plot 8.5 ms, etc. (i.e., 25.6 ms/amplification factor).

You may change the amplification as much as you desire by entering another value each time the amplification prompt comes up. If you hit a <cr> without a value, the program will then proceed to the cursor-placing routine.

Cursor-Placing Procedure

Cursors must be placed on the graphs to delimit time windows. One pair comprises a time window within which the analysis will take place.

Cursors are placed in the following way:

1. Choose a graph as directed.
2. Enter a number (1-256).
3. Hit <cr>. A cursor will now appear at the position requested.
4. Do you want to save this position as a time window delimiter?

If yes, hit <cr> and then go to step 2.

If no, go directly to step 2.

5. When you are through placing cursors and defining time windows, enter a 2 and hit <cr>. The cursor-placing procedure is now complete.

RUN PROCEDURES

Scaling Queries

The maximum values must be supplied as asked, including the units. This procedure determines the scaling factors for the output. The number of trials desired must be supplied as asked. The program will now run on its own, either driving the prep with the stimulator or through a Schmitt trigger arrangement. The program will automatically make copies of the data on the screen as necessary.

After all trials have been run, the program will prompt for a name for a file to store the data. Once this is done and the data are stored, the last question the program asks is "Do you wish to run more trials with the same set-up?" If the answer is yes, the program will loop back into the "run" mode again without going through a setup procedure. This feature can be useful in determining those scaling values that give a good display of the data. If the answer is no, the program will end and display all the data files that are stored. At this point, other analysis routines can be used on the stored data. (Please note that Figures 11 and 12 show a sample output.)

SECTION 3. FIGURES AND OUTPUT

This section contains examples of the questions asked to establish parameters and the valid responses to those questions. Also the type of output and displays are shown. The figures included show actual output as seen on the CRT.

SETTING INITIAL PARAMETERS

Figure 2 lists all initial questions that establish the setup parameters. For acceptable answers to the questions, refer to Table 1.

```

WILL THIS EX. BE SCHMITT TRIGGER DRIVEN? (Y OR N)   N
ENTER 2 CHANNELS FOR INPUT :1,2
WHEN CHANNEL 1 IS ZERDED, HIT (CR)
      1          987
WHEN 5MV STANDARD APPLIED, HIT (CR)
      1          929
WHEN CHANNEL 2 IS ZERDED, HIT (CR)
      2          1045
WHEN 5 MV STANDARD APPLIED, HIT (CR)
      2          877

# OF SIGNALS TO BE AVERAGED: 3
DD YOU WISH TO DUMP THE BUFFER? (Y OR N) : N
ENTER THE TIME BETWEEN SAMPLES (SEC) : 5
    
```

Figure 2. Setting initial parameters

Table 1. Acceptable Answers to Questions in Figure 2

Question or Requirement	Acceptable Answer
Number of signals to average	Any number ≥ 3
Enter two channels for input.	Any two channels 0-14 separated by comma. First position refers to stimulating presynaptic channel and upper graph. Second position is postsynaptic channel. Be sure channels selected are ones signals are going into.
Do you wish to dump buffer?	This option allows user to test A/D converter. If chosen, last buffer of digitized data is output to CRT. Program execution then halts.
Enter time between samples.	Enter time as integer. This question will not appear if Schmitt trigger driven.

Each time a sample is taken during the setup portion, the word "WORKING" will appear on the screen (see Figure 3). The number of times it appears corresponds to the number of samples to average. The time between appearances equals the time between samples.

```

# OF SIGNALS TO BE AVERAGED : 5
DO YOU WISH TO OUMP THE BUFFER? (Y OR N): N
WORKING 1

WORKING 2

WORKING 3

WORKING 4
    
```

Figure 3. Output seen on CRT while sampling during setup portion

After sampling, the graph will be drawn without plotting (Figure 4). It requires an "amp factor."

```

NOTE: EACH POINT = 0.1 MS
CURSOR X
1
2

CURSOR X
1
2
3
4

AMP FACTOR:
CURRENT POSITION
Y =
SE. Y =
    
```

Figure 4. Machine prompts user for an "amp factor."

USING AMP FACTOR OPTION

The "amp factor" option allows the user to expand and amplify the time domain plotted on the screen. Figures 5 through 8 demonstrate the effect of various choices.

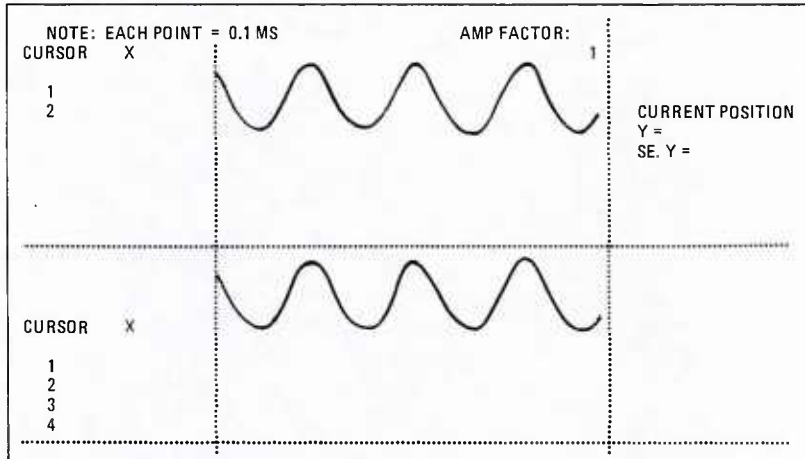


Figure 5. Sinusoidal waveform at amp factor = 1. Compare this plot with Figures 6, 7, and 8 to see how this option works.

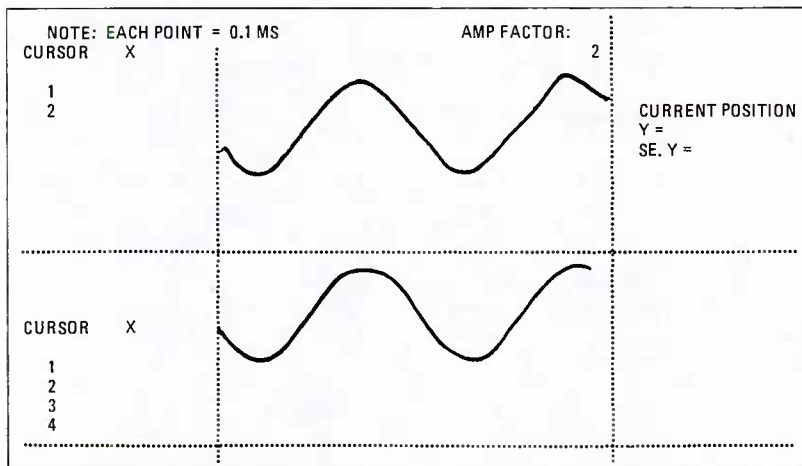


Figure 6. Sinusoidal waveform plot at amp factor = 2. Compare this with Figures 5, 7, and 8.

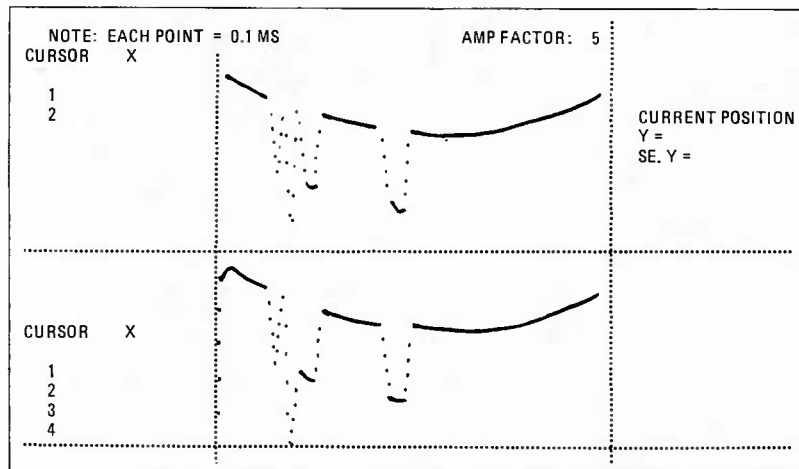


Figure 7. Sinusoidal waveform plot at amp factor = 5. Compare this with Figures 5, 6, and 8.

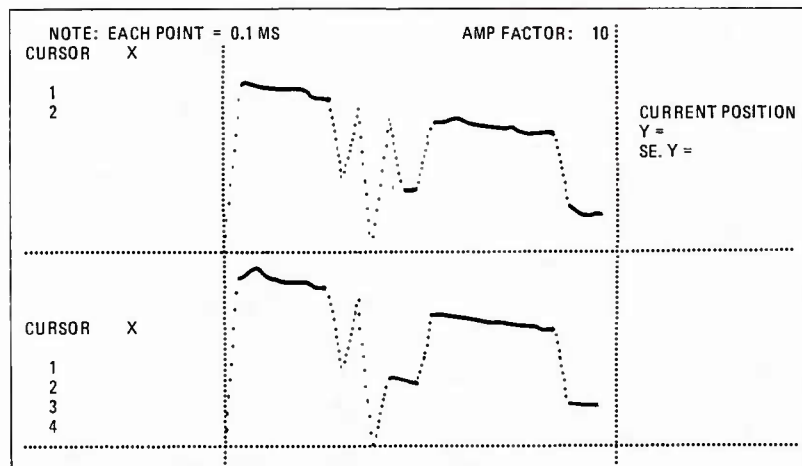


Figure 8. Sinusoidal waveform plot at amp factor = 10. Compare this with Figures 5, 6, and 7.

Now the graph on which to place cursors can be chosen (see Figure 9).

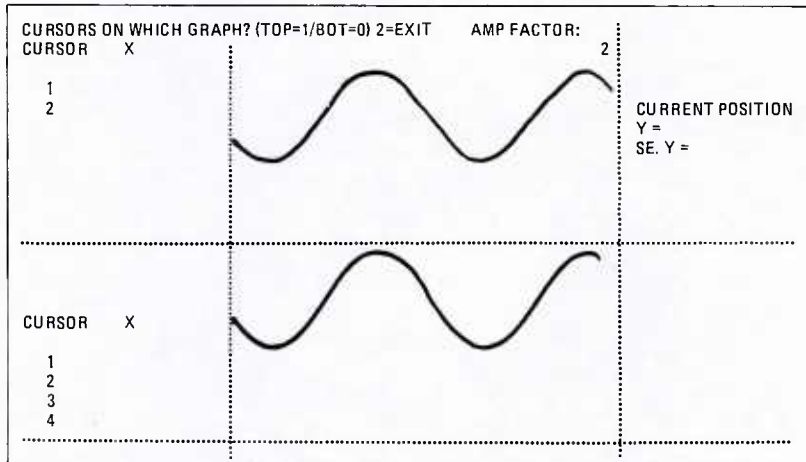


Figure 9. User ready to define time intervals

The cursors have been placed on both graphs, and data are ready to be collected (see Figure 10).

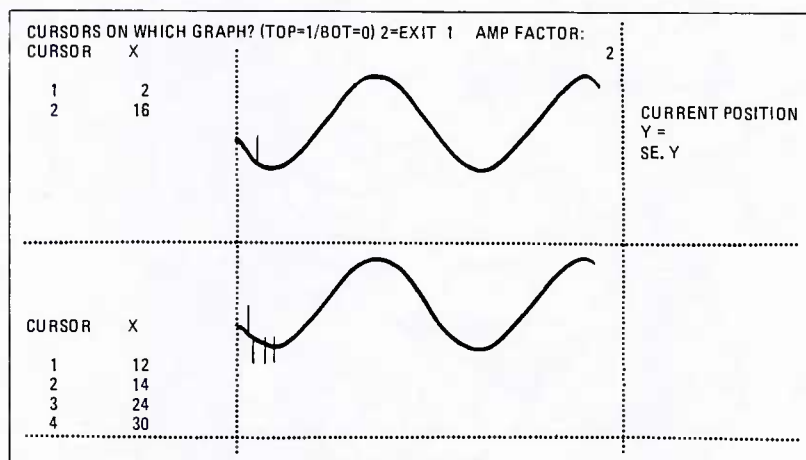


Figure 10. User defining time windows

As the experiment is run, the results are plotted on the CRT as shown in Figures 11 and 12.

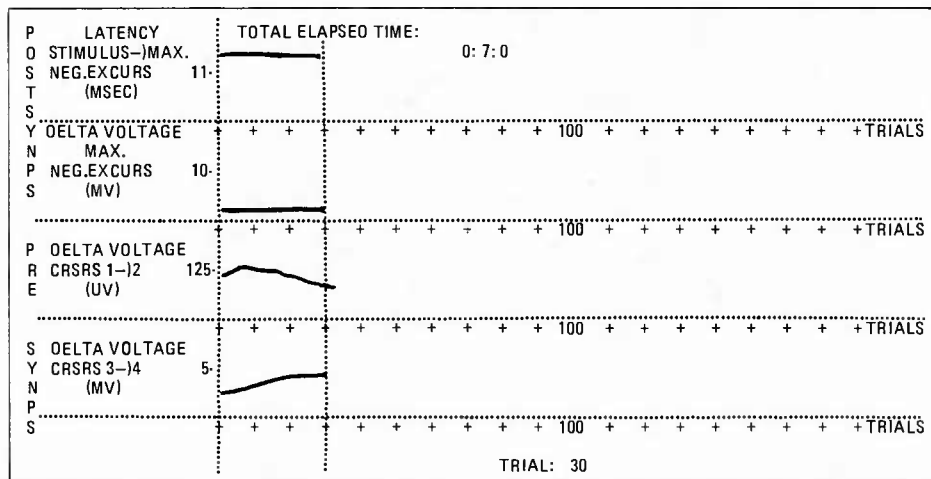


Figure 11. Sample output

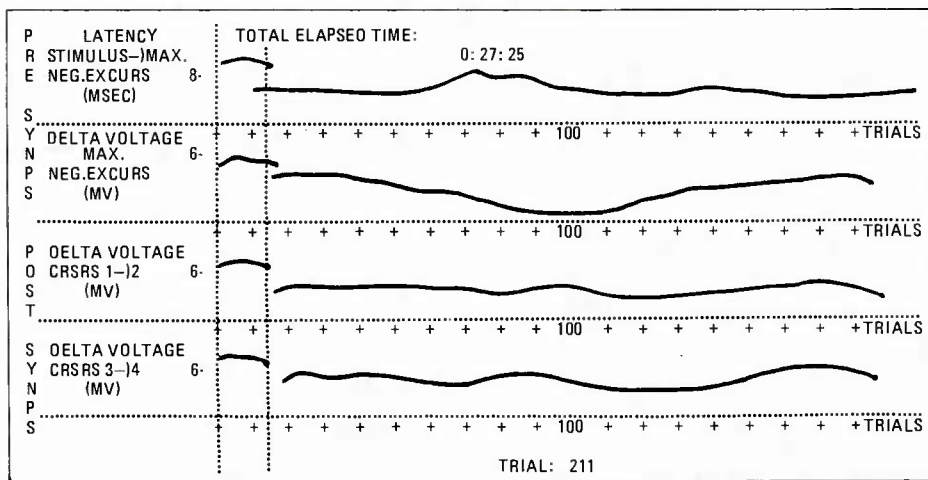


Figure 12. Sample output

APPENDIX A. BUILDING AND LINKING

BUILDING THE TASK

The following sequence is used to compile and link the task:

Compile

FORTRAN

```
FOR/EXTEND/OBJ:DK1:ALLFOR/LIST:DK1: DK1:(SWANTE+SWANSE+SWANRU)
```

This causes all the FORTRAN programs to be compiled into an object module called ALLFOR. This module is placed on DK1; it is assumed that the FORTRAN source code is also on DK1.

macro:

```
MAC/OBJ:DK1: DK1:GETBUF/LIST:DK1:
```

```
MAC/OBJ:DK1:CL DK1:COLECT/LIST:DK1:
```

```
MAC/OBJ:DK1:S DK1:STIMUL/LIST:DK1:
```

```
MAC/OBJ:DK1:PL DK1:PLOT55
```

The macro programs are compiled separately, and in some cases the names of the object code files are shortened for convenience.

LINKING

```
LINK/EXE:DK1:/MAP:DK1: DK1:(ALLFOR,CL,PL,GETBUF,S)
```

It is usually convenient to create an indirect command file that performs the tasks outlined above.

APPENDIX B. EXAMPLE OF HARDWARE

The hardware used for the development of this system is:

CPU	-	LSI-11
Terminal	-	VT55-FA
Schmitt trigger/clock	-	KWV-11A
Mass storage	-	RK05
A/D	-	ADV11-A
Parallel output port	-	DRV11

APPENDIX C. LISTINGS FOR FORTRAN PROGRAM

C.1 SWANTE.FOR

```

C
C REAL-TIME INTRA/INTER CELLULAR EVOKED RESPONSE DATA COLLECTION
C PROGRAM. MAY BE SCHMITT TRIGGER DRIVEN OR IT MAY DRIVE THE
C PREP ACCORDING TO A TIME PARAMETER WHICH IS PROMPTED FOR.
C
C
C      MASTER PROGRAM
10    CALL SETUP
      CALL PLOT55(9,0,0)
      CALL PLOT55(10,,)
      CALL PLOT55(9,35,11)
      CALL PLOT55(12,, 'END OF SET UP;HIT <CR> TO CONTINUE')
      CALL PLOT55(9,35,14)
      CALL PLOT55(12,, 'ENTER S TO RESTART')
      CALL PLOT55(2,512,)
      ACCEPT 1000, S
      IF (S.EQ.'S') GO TO 10
      CALL RUNIT
1000  FORMAT(A1)
      END
C -----
C

```

C.2 SWANSE.FOR - SET-UP PORTION

```

c
c      25 march 80
c
c      routine: setup
c
c      routine for the initial set-up of the experiments
c
c
c      this routine receives an initial 5mv square pulse
c      and calculates the function that maps the real
c      voltage across the membranes from the digitized
c      input. it then uses this value later to output
c      the potential.
c
c      the parameters passed include the slope 'm' and
c      the y intercept 'b' of this function.
c
c      following this action, the program receives and
c      averages 'n' signals and presents these vs time.
c      the experimenter then places four cursors along
c      the signal trace to indicate the points between
c      which he wishes the dv measured.
c
c
c      main prog
c      /
c      - setup -      runit
c      |
c      / stdsig / sigavg      csrple
c      /
c      collect getbuf axes      trcptl      store      disp
c      /
c      scale      plot

```


FORTRAN Program

```
      subroutine sigavg
c
c      routine to receive, average and display a signal
c      from the a-d to provide a trace to place the
c      cursors.
c
      integer*4 time1,time2
      integer hrs,mins,secs,tcks
      byte ichtab(2)
      real array1(256), array2(256)
      real sx1(256),sx2(256),sx21(256),sx22(256)
      common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
      common /datbuf/ibuf(512),ibuf1(256),ibuf2(256)
      common /stderr/se1(256),se2(256)
      common /schmit/ist,izzz
      common ichtb
      equivalence(ichtb,ichtab)
c
c      variables: sx1= sum of x1
c                  sx21= sum of x1**2
c                  sx2= sum of x2
c                  sx22= sum of x2**2
      call plot55(9,0,0)
      call plot55(13,74,)
      write(5,1000)
1000    format('$ of signals to be averaged:')
      accept 1500, iternm
2100    format(i10)
c
      write(5,2000)
2000    format('$do you wish to dump the buffer? <y or n>:')
      accept 2500,idump
2500    format(a1)
c
      if (ist.eq.1) go to 10 !skip if schmidt triggered
      write(5,3000)
3000    format('$enter the time between samples (sec):')
      accept 3500, izzz
3500    format(i5)
c
10      do 20 i=1,256
          array1(i)=0
          array2(i)=0
          sx1(i)=0
          sx21(i)=0
          sx2(i)=0
          sx22(i)=0
20      continue
c
c      collect 'iternm' samples and avg them
c
      icount=256
      ichcnt=2
      krt=3
      kent=1
      ich1=ichtab(1)
      ich2=ichtab(2)
      do 90 itr=1,iternm
          call gtim(time1)
          call collect(ib(1),ich1)          !find current zero level
          call collect(ib(2),ich2)          !find current zero level
          if (ist.eq.0) call stim1 !if not schmitt trig. run trial
          call getbuf(ibuf,icount,ichtab,ichcnt,krt,kent,ist,ierr)
          write(5,4000)itr
4000    format(35x,'working ',i4////)
c      now write these values into two arrays which represent
c      the two channels of input.
```

```

c
c
      i=1
      j=1
      ibufr(1)=ibufr(3)          !first point is garbage
      ibufr(2)=ibufr(4)
30    if (j.gt.256) go to 40
      reali=ibufr(i)
      array1(j)=array1(j)+(ibufr(i)-ib(1))
      sx1(j)=sx1(j)+(reali-ib(1))/m(1)
      sx21(j)=sx21(j)+((reali-ib(1))/m(1))**2
c
      reali=ibufr(i+1)
      array2(j)=array2(j)+(ibufr(i+1)-ib(2))
      sx2(j)=sx2(j)+(reali-ib(2))/m(2)
      sx22(j)=sx22(j)+((reali-ib(2))/m(2))**2
c
      j=j+1
      i=i+2
      go to 30
c
40    if (ist.eq.1) go to 90 !skip if s.trig
      call cvttim(time1,hrs,mins,secs,tcks)
50    call gtim(time2)
      call cvttim(time2,ihrs,imins,isecs,itcks)
      if(isecs.eq.secs.and.itcks.eq.tcks)write(5,4500)
4500  format(' turn on the line clock')
      if((secs-isecs).lt.izzz.and.(isecs-secs).lt.izzz) go to 50
c
c      go get next sample
c      continue
90    ap=iternm
      do 60 i=1,256
      se1(i)=sqrt(abs(((sx21(i)/ap)-((sx1(i)/ap)**2)/ap)))
      se2(i)=sqrt(abs(((sx22(i)/ap)-((sx2(i)/ap)**2)/ap))) !s.e.
60    continue
c
      if(idump.ne.'y') go to 80
      do 70 i=1,512,2
70      write(5,5000)i,ibufr(i),ibufr(i+1)
5000  format(i5,i10,i10)
      write(5,5500)m(1),ib(1),m(2),ib(2)
5500  format(' m(1)=' ,i5,3x, 'ib(1)=' ,i5,/' m(2)=' ,i5,3x, 'ib(2)=' ,i5)
      stop
c      plot the average
80    call axes
      call trecplt(array1,array2,iternm)
      return
      end
c
c      =====
c      =====
c
c      subroutine trecplt(ar1,ar2,itq)
c
c
c
c
      dimension ar1(256),ar2(256)
      common /datbuf/ibufr(512),ibufr1(256),ibufr2(256)
      common /amplfy/iamp2
      common ichtb,ilat

```

FORTRAN Program

```
c
      ah=itq
      do 10 k=1,256
      ibufr1(k)=ar1(k)/ah
      ibufr2(k)=ar2(k)/ah
10      continue
20      call plot55(9,45,0)
      call plot55(11,,)
      call plot55(12,, ' amp factor : ')
      call plot55(13,72,)
15      do 15 iaia=1,59
      call plot55(13,67,)
1000      accept 1000, iamp1
      format(i3)
      if (iamp1.eq.0)return
      iamp2=iamp1
c
      i2=10 !signal to plot on lower graph
      call scale(ibufr1,256,r1,r2,ilat)
      call plot55(1,0,)
      call plot55(7,111,10)
      call plot(ibufr1,256,r1,r2,i2,iamp1)
c
      i2=115 !signal to plot on upper graph
      call scale(ibufr2,256,r1,r2,ilat)
      call plot55(1,1,)
      call plot55(7,111,115)
      call plot(ibufr2,256,r1,r2,i2,iamp1)
      go to 20
      end
c
c -----
c
c routine to plot the data
c
c subroutine plot(i12,i1,r1,r2,i2,iamp1)
c
c variable names consistent with 'scale'
c
c integer i12(256)
c real r(256)
c if (r1.ne.r2) go to 5
c write(5,1000)
1000 format(' faulty signal read',/25x,'terminate execution')
c stop
5 r1=100/(r1-r2) !scale data to fit plot size
c j=0
c do 10 i=111,366,iamp1
c j=j+1
c r(j)=i12(j)
10 call plot55(8,i,ifix((r(j)-r2)*r1)+i2)
c return
c end
c
c -----
c
```

```

c
c   this routine will scale the data arrays for
c   plotting. it returns r1=max value; r2=min
c   value. r is the input array.
c   il is the   of points.
c
      subroutine scale(i12,i1,r1,r2,ilat)
      integer i12(256)
      dimension r(256)
      do 10 i=1,256
10         r(i)=i12(i)
           r1=-1.0e32
           r2= 1.0e32
           do 30 i=1,i1
              if (r(i).gt.r1) r1=r(i)
              if (r(i).lt.r2) go to 20
              go to 30
20                 r2=r(i)
           ilat=i ! use as flag for location of stimulus artifact
30         continue
           return
           end
c
c
c   -----
c
c   routine to place cursors on the traces shown. four
c   cursors can be placed on the bottom graph, two
c   cursors are placed on the top trace.
c
      subroutine csrplc
      common /datbuf/ibufr(512),ibufr1(256),ibufr2(256)
      common /stderr/se1(256),se2(256)
c
c   decide which graph to set cursors on.
10         call plot55(9,0,0)
           call plot55(11,,)
           call plot55(12,,,'cursors on which graph?(top=1/bot=0) 2=exit: ')
1000        accept 1000, igrph
           format(i1)
           if (igrph.eq.2) go to 70
           call plot55(9,0,0)
           call plot55(11,,)
           call plot55(1,igrph,)
c
           if (igrph.eq.0) nc=4 !if graph0, get 4 cursors
           if (igrph.eq.1) nc=2 !if graph1, get 2 cursors
c
c   identify and store the cursors in 'ic'
           do 60 i=1,nc
c   prompt for cursor position
20         call plot55(9,0,0)
           call plot55(11,,)
c   256=25.6 ms ie: crs position= 10* time
           call plot55(12,,,'cursor position(1-256) use <cr> to store: ')
           call plot55(9,43,0)
           accept 1500, icp
1500        format(i3)
           if (icp.gt.400) go to 40
           if (icp.lt.0) go to 40
           if (icp.eq.0) call store(i,igrph,ilat)
           go to 50
40         call plot55(9,0,0)
           call plot55(11,,)
           call plot55(12,,,'error on input, hit <cr> to continue')
           accept 2000, iii
2000        format(a1)
           go to 20
50         if (icp.eq.0) go to 60
           call plot55(6,ilat+110,0)
           call plot55(6,icp+110,1)
           if (igrph.eq.0)call disp(ibufr1,se1,icp,igrph+1)
           if (igrph.eq.1)call disp(ibufr2,se2,icp,igrph+1)

```

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```
        ilast=icp
        go to 20
60      continue
        go to 10
70      return
        end

c
c
c      _____
c      this routine enters the cursor values into the
c      table 'ic' which holds the values for later use.
c      as well, the values stored are displayed on the
c      screen as well as the cursor positions.
c
c      subroutine store(i,igraph,ilast)
c      common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
c      common /amplfy/iamp2
c
c      ic((igraph+1),i)=ilast/iamp2      !the last value, before a
c                                       zero was entered to execute
c                                       a save, is placed in ic(i,j)
c                                       where 'i' is the graph and
c                                       'j' is the jth cursor stored.
c
c      now , display the saved value in the app.spot
c
c      iplace=1-igraph
c      call plot55(9,9,((15*iplace)+2)+i)
c      write(5,1000)ilast
1000   format(i4)
        ilast=0
        return
        end

c
c      _____
c      _____
c
c      subroutine axes
c
c      call plot55(9,0,0)
c      call plot55(10,,)
c      call plot55(12,, ' note: each point = 0.1 ms')
c      call plot55(4,1,115)
c      call plot55(4,1,10)
c      call plot55(5,370,1)
c      call plot55(5,110,1)
c      call plot55(9,1,1)
c      call plot55(12,, 'cursor   x')
c      call plot55(9,3,3)
c      call plot55(12,, '1')
c      call plot55(9,3,4)
c      call plot55(12,, '2')
c
c      call plot55(9,1,16)
c      call plot55(12,, 'cursor   x')
c      call plot55(9,3,18)
c      call plot55(12,, '1')
c      call plot55(9,3,19)
c      call plot55(12,, '2')
c      call plot55(9,3,20)
c      call plot55(12,, '3')
c      call plot55(9,3,21)
c      call plot55(12,, '4')
c      call plot55(9,64,4)
c      call plot55(12,, 'current position')
c      call plot55(9,64,5)
c      call plot55(12,, 'y=   ')
c      call plot55(9,64,6)
c      call plot55(12,, 'se.y=')
c      return
c      end

c
c      _____
c      _____
```

```

c
c
  subroutine disp(r,rx,iqr,iqx)
  dimension r(256),rx(256)
  common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
  call plot55(9,68,5)
  write(5,1000)r(iqr)/m(iqx)
  call plot55(9,68,6)
  write(5,1000)rx(iqr)
1000  format(f10.3)
  return
  end

```

```

c
c

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C.3 SWANRU.FOR - EXPERIMENT RUN SECTION

```

c      subroutine call mapping:
c          main program
c          /
c      swanset          /          runit
c          /          /          /
c          graph      /          runex  -
c          /          /          |
c          getbuf     /          tvmax  -
c          /          /          |
c          /          /          negmax
c
  subroutine runit
  byte ifile(14)
  byte blank
  common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
  common /units/iunits,iunit2
  common /outfil/laten(1000),mvolt(1000),negex1(1000),negex2(1000)
  common ichtb,ilat,idif,itest
  data blank/' '/
  do 20 i=1,14
  20  ifile(i)=blank
  call plot55(2,1+2+4+32+64+512,)
c
  call plot55(9,0,0)
  call plot55(10,,)
  write(5,950)
950  format('$differences will be relative to zero(0) or 1st cursor(1): ')
  accept 960, idif,itest
960  format(2i2)
  write(5,1000)
1000 format('  supply the information requested on the max. values')
1500 format(///,20x,'postsynaptic',//,'$maxneg cursors 1-2 ( ,[mv/uv]) : ')
25  write(5,1500)
  accept 2000,is1,iunits
  if(iunits.ne.'uv'.and.iunits.ne.'mv')go to 25
  if(iunits.eq.'uv')iunits=1000  !scale change to microvlt
  if(iunits.eq.'mv')iunits=1
2000 format(i6,a2)
27  write(5,2500)
2500 format(//,20x,'presynaptic',//,' maxneg cursors 1-2 ( .[mv/uv] : '.$)
  accept 2000,is2,iunit2
  if(iunit2.ne.'uv'.and.iunit2.ne.'mv')go to 27
  if(iunit2.eq.'uv')iunit2=1000
  if(iunit2.eq.'mv')iunit2=1
3000 format(i5)
  write(5,3500)
3500 format(//,' maxneg ex(mv);cursors 3-4: ',,$)
  accept 2000,is3
  write(5,4000)
4000 format(/,'$how many trials? (1000 max):')
  accept 3000,iiii
  call graph(is1,is2,is3)
  call runex(is1,is2,is3,iiii)

```

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```
c
c      write the results for today into a storage file
c      call plot55(9,0,0)
c      write(5,4500)
4500   format(5x,$'enter file name for storage- dk1:<date>.dat :')
c      accept 5000,ifile
5000   format(14a1)
c      open (unit=1,name=ifile,type='new')
c      do 30 i=1,iiii
c      aa=float(mvolt(i))/float(m(2))
c      ab=float(negex1(i))/float(m(1))
c      ac=float(negex2(i))/float(m(1))
c      write(1,5500)laten(i),aa,ab,ac
30     continue
5500   format(i5,3f10.4)
c      iflag=-5
c      write(1,5500)iflag,aa,ab,ac
c      close(unit=1,dispose='save')
c      call plot55(9,0,0)
c      call plot55(10,,)
c      write(5,6000)
6000   format('$do you wish to run more trials with the same setup?')
c      accept 6500,iask
6500   format(a1)
c      if(iask.eq.'y') go to 10
c      return
c      end
c      -----
c      -----
c      this routine sets up the graphics display for
c      the experiment
c
c      subroutine graph(is1,is2,is3)
c      common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
c      common /units/iunits,iunit2
c      common ichtb,ilat
c      call plot55(9,0,0)
c      call plot55(10,,)
c      call plot55(9,20,0)
c      call plot55(12,, 'total elapsed time:')
c      call plot55(4,1,30)
c      call plot55(4,1,80)
c      call plot55(4,1,129)
c      call plot55(4,1,130)
c      call plot55(4,1,180)
c      call plot55(5,111,1)
c      do 20 j=5,20,5
c      do 10 i=18,79,3
10     call plot55(9,i,j)
20     call plot55(12,, '+')
c      continue
c      do 30 i=5,20,5
c      call plot55(9,74,i)
c      call plot55(12,, 'trials')
c      call plot55(9,47,i)
30     call plot55(12,, '100')
c      call plot55(9,12,2)
c      write(5,1000)(ic(2,2)-ilat)/9      !1/2 of the scaled values
c      call plot55(9,12,6)
c      write(5,1000)is1/2
1000   format(i6,'')
c      call plot55(9,12,11)
c      write(5,1000)is2/2
c      call plot55(9,12,16)
c      write(5,1000)is3/2
c      call plot55(9,0,0)
c      call plot55(12,, 'p          latency')
c      call plot55(9,0,1)
c      call plot55(12,, 'o stimulus->max.')
c      call plot55(9,0,2)
c      call plot55(12,, 's neg.excurs')
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call plot55(9,0,3)
call plot55(12,, 't (msec)')
call plot55(9,0,4)
call plot55(12,, 's')
call plot55(9,0,5)
call plot55(12,, 'y delta voltage')
call plot55(9,0,6)
call plot55(12,, 'n max.')
call plot55(9,0,7)
call plot55(12,, 'p neg.excurs')
call plot55(9,0,8)
if(iunits.eq.1)call plot55(12,, 's (mv)')
if(iunits.ne.1)call plot55(12,, 's (uv)')
call plot55(9,0,11)
call plot55(12,, 'p delta voltage')
call plot55(9,0,12)
call plot55(12,, 'r crsrs 1->2')
call plot55(9,0,13)
if(iunit2.eq.1)call plot55(12,, 'e (mv)')
if(iunit2.ne.1)call plot55(12,, 'e (uv)')
call plot55(9,0,16)
call plot55(12,, 's delta voltage')
call plot55(9,0,17)
call plot55(12,, 'y crsrs 3->4')
call plot55(9,0,18)
call plot55(12,, 'n (mv)')
call plot55(9,0,19)
call plot55(12,, 'p')
call plot55(9,0,20)
call plot55(12,, 's')
call plot55(9,42,22)
call plot55(12,, 'trial:')
return
end

c
c -----
c -----
c
c routine to run the experiments and to collect
c and display the data on the graphs
c
c subroutine runex(is1,is2,is3,iiii)
c
c byte ichtab(2)
c common /datbuf/ibufr(512),ibufr1(256),ibufr2(256)
c common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
c common /howmny/iter,itern
c common /schmit/ist,izzz
c common ichtb,ilat
c integer*4 time1,time2
c equivalence(ichtb,ichtab)
c
c variables:
c ic the table of cursor values
c ib,m the parameters for output transform
c iter trial counter
c itern trial counter for display control
c a laten array for storing latency values ,ch 2
c mvolt array for storing max. neg. values,ch 2
c negex1 array for storing max. neg. values,1st curs.,ch 1
c negex2 array for storing max. neg. values,2nd curs.,ch 1
c ibufr1 data buffer, ch 1
c ibufr2 data buffer, ch 2
c time1,time2 current time for sampling control
c izzz time between samples (snoozzzz time)

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```
c
      iter=0 !set initial value
      itern=1
      icount=256
      ichcnt=2
      krate=3
      kcount=1
      ich1=ichtab(1)
      ich2=ichtab(2)
c
10  call gtim(time1)
    call cvttim(time1,ihrs,imin,isec1,itck)
c
c    run clock at 10khz, convert at ea. overflow
    if(ist.eq.0) call stimul !run the trial if not schmitt trig.
    call colect(ib(1),ich1)      !get current zero level
    call colect(ib(2),ich2)      !get current zero level
    call getbuf(ibufr,icount,ichtab,ichcnt,krate,kcount,ist,ierr)
    i=1
    j=1
    ibufr(1)=ibufr(3)
    ibufr(2)=ibufr(4)          ! first points are junk
18  if(i.gt.256)go to 20
    ibufr1(i)=ibufr(j)
    ibufr2(i)=ibufr(j+1)      !separate both channels
    j=j+2
    i=i+1
    go to 18
20  iter=iter+1
    call plot55(9,50,21)
    write(5,1000)iter
1000 format(i5)
c
    if (iter.eq.iiii ) go to 50
    if (iter.eq.199) call copy
    if (iter.eq.399) call copy
    if (iter.eq.599) call copy
    if (iter.eq.799) call copy
    call plot55(5,itern+111,0)
    call plot55(5,itern+113,1)
c
    call tvmax(ibufr2,is1) !process ch 2
    call negmax(ibufr1,is2,is3) !process ch 1
    call plot55(9,0,23)
    call plot55(10,,)
    itern=itern+2
c
c    wait for izzz seconds to elapse before running the next trial
30  call gtim(time2)
    call cvttim(time2,ihrs,imin,isec2,itck)
    if(ist.eq.1) go to 40 !skip the wait if schmitt triggered
    if ((isec2-isec1).lt.izzz.and.(isec1-isec2).lt.izzz) go to 30
40  call plot55(9,41,0)
    writae(5,1500)ihrs,imin,isec2
1500 format(i2,':',i2,':',i2)
    go to 10
c
50  call copy
    return
    end
c-----
c
    subroutine copy
    common /howmy/iter,itern
    call plot55(9,79,23)
    call plot55(13,93,)
    itern=1
    return
    end
c
c-----
c-----
```

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c
c this routine uses the cursors designated for the post-
c synaptic side to find the most negative value sampled
c between the cursors and the time when this value occurred.
c this time is measured from the initial depol. and is
c displayed as a latency.
c
c subroutine tvmax(istore,is1)
c dimension istore(256)
c common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
c common /outfil/laten(1000),mvolt(1000),negex1(1000),negex2(1000)
c common /howmny/iter,iter_n
c common /units/iunits,iunit2
c common ichtb,ilat,idif,itest
c ivmin=10000
c
c do 10 i=ic(2,1),ic(2,2) !look between cursors
c if(itest.eq.1)write(5,1000)istore(i)
1000 format(i10)
c if (istore(i).gt.ivmin) go to 10
c     ivmin=istore(i) !difference relative to zero
c     lat=i
c
c 10 continue
c if(itest.eq.1)write(5,1500)ivmin,lat
c 1500 format(' minimum=',i10,' at lat =',i10)
c if(idif.eq.1)ivmin=istore(ic(2,1))-istore(lat) !diff rel to 1st curs
c if(ivmin.lt.0)ivmin=-ivmin
c
c     laten(iter)=float(lat-ilat)/4.65
c     if((lat.ne.ic(2,1)).and.(lat.ne.ic(2,2)))go to 20
c         lat=ilat
c         ivmin=0
c 20 mvolt(iter)=ivmin
c     graph it now
c     iy1=((50./float(ic(2,2)-ilat)/4.65))*(float(lat-ilat)/4.65)+180.
c     if (iy1.gt.230)iy1=230
c     if (iy1.lt.180)iy1=180           ! check scaling
c
c     iy2=(50./float(is1))*iunits*(float(ivmin)/float(m(2)))+130.
c     if (iy2.gt.180)iy2=180
c     if (iy2.lt.130)iy2=130
c     call plot55(1,1,)
c     call plot55(3,110+iter_n,iy1)
c     call plot55(3,111+iter_n,iy2)
c     return
c     end
c
c -----
c -----
c
c this routine finds the most neg. points within the time
c windows provided by cursor sets 1-2 3-4. the input
c examined is from channel 1, presynaptic.
c
c subroutine negmax(istore,is2,is3)
c dimension istore(256)
c common /scalar/ic(2,4),ib(2),m(2)
c common /outfil/laten(1000),mvolt(1000),negex1(1000),negex2(1000)
c common /howmny/iter,iter_n
c common /units/iunits,iunit2
c common ichtb,ilat,idif,itest
c
c do 20 j=1,3,2
c ivmin=10000
c do 10 i=ic(1,j),ic(1,j+1)
c 1000 if(itest.eq.1)write(5,1000)istore(i)
c format(i10)
c if (istore(i).ge.ivmin) go to 10
c     ivmin=istore(i)
c     lat=i

```

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```
10      continue
      if(itest.eq.1)write(5,1500)ivmin,lat
1500    format(' minimum =',i10,' lat=',i10)
      if(idif.eq.1)ivmin=istore(ic(1,j))-istore(lat)
      if(ivmin.lt.0)ivmin=-ivmin
c
      if (j.lt.2) negex1(iter)=ivmin
      if (j.gt.2) negex2(iter)=ivmin
      call plot55(1,0,)
      if (j.gt.2) go to 30
c
      if(lat.eq.ic(1,j+1).or.lat.eq.ic(1,j)) ivmin=0
c
      !if the min pt.@ curs., defined as 0
      iz1=(50./float(is2)*iunit2)*((float(ivmin)/float(m(1))))+80.
      if(iz1.gt.130)iz1=130
      if(iz1.lt.80)iz1=80
      call plot55(3,110+itern,iz1)
      go to 20
c
30      iz2=(50./float(is3))*((float(ivmin)/float(m(1))))+30.
      if(iz2.gt.80)iz2=80
      if(iz2.lt.30)iz2=30
      call plot55(3,111+itern,iz2)
c
20      continue
      return
      end
```

APPENDIX D. LISTINGS FOR MACRO PROGRAM

D.1 COLECT.MAC

```

                                .title colect
                                .ident /don01/
                                ;
                                ;
                                ; d.o. norman
                                ;
                                ; routine to take a single a/d on a
                                ; given channel
                                ;
                                ; fortran calling procedure
                                ; call colect(dataword,channel)
                                ; dataword ::: receives the result of the a/d
                                ; channel ::: input channel
                                ;
                                adsr = 170400
                                adbr = 170402
colect::
start:  clr    @ adsr          ;clear a/d stat reg
        mov    2(r5),r0       ;set up address for storage
        mov    @4(r5),r1      ;get channel number
        asl   r1
        asl   r1              ; shift it
        asl   r1              ; into the
        asl   r1              ; correct
        asl   r1              ; position
        asl   r1              ; before
        asl   r1              ; 'oring' it
        asl   r1              ; with the adsr
        bis   r1,@ adsr      ; set up channel
;
        inc   @ adsr         ; start conversion
wait:   tstb  @ adsr         ; done?
        bpl  wait           ; if not then wait
        mov  @ adbr,(r0)     ; load data word
        rts   pc
        .end
;-----
---
```

D.2 STIMUL.MAC

```

;-----
---
;
                                .title stimul
                                .ident /don02/
                                ;
                                ; d.o. norman
                                ;
                                ; routine to cause a triggering of
                                ; the prep stimulator through the
                                ; external triggering connection.
                                ;
                                ; assumes a drv-11 (parallel output)
                                ; is used and set up according to
                                ; specs.
                                ;
                                ; trigger is through bit 0
                                ;
                                ; fortran call:
                                ; call stimul
                                ;
```

```

drvout= 167772
stimul::
  clr      @ drvout
  inc      @ drvout      ; toggle bit 0 (turn it on)
  nop
  nop
  nop      ; wait a while
  nop
  nop
  nop
  nop
  nop
  nop
  nop
  clr      @ drvout      ; clear bit 0 (turn it off)
  rts     pc
  .end
;-----
;-----
-
;
; .title  getbuf - rt11 adv/kwv driver module - program control
;;; .sbtbl getbf1 - burst mode sampling version
; .ident  /lmf01a/
;
; .nlist  cnd
; .enabl  lc
;
;
; .mcall
;
; written:
; 1. m. fraser 21-mar-80
;
; call syntax: ...fortran
;
; call
getbuf(ibuf, icount, ichtab, ichcnt, krate, kcount, iwait, ierr)
;
; where:
; ibuf      = integer buffer to receive data in order as sampled.
;            must be dimensioned icount*ichcnt long
; icount    = number of sample sets to convert
; ichtab    = *byte* table of channel numbers in order of
interest.
; ichcnt    = length of channel list
; krate     = rtc clock count units parameter (1 = mhz) see users
manual
; kcount    = number of units above between overflows
; iwait     = wait for st2 trigger if >< 0
; ierr      = error indicator (reflects only data overruns)
;
;
; define parameter below to select level of error indication
;
; errmrk not defined:  no error checking
; errmrk = 0          count overflows only
; errmrk = 1          count errors set data point bit 12 on error
;
; errmrk = 1
;
; local macros
;
; parameter error reporter - default error 81. "invalid
argument"
;
; .macro prmerr prm
mov      prm, prm.8(r5)
mov      spsave, sp
return   ; return with error report
; .endm prmerr

```

Macro Program

```
; get address from fortran argument list or check of loc
blank (ok if ne)
;
    .macro geta off,loc,?a,?b
    .iif idn loc,r5 .error ;you're screwing up the parameter link
(r5)
    cmpb    off/2,(r5)
    ble     a
    prmerr  off
a:
    .if nb loc
    mov     off(r5),loc
    cmp     loc, -1
    bne     b
    trap    128.+16.
    .iff
    cmp     off(r5), -1
    .endc
b:
    .endm   geta
;
; get parameter from fortran argument list - word arguments
only
;
    .macro getp off,loc
    geta    off,loc
    mov     @loc,loc
    .endm   getp
;
; put parameter to fortran parameter list
;
    .macro putp off,loc,?a,?b
    cmpb    off/2,(r5)
    ble     b
    prmerr  off
b:
    cmp     off(r5), -1
    bne     a
    prmerr  off
a:
    .if nb loc
    mov     loc,off(r5)
    .iff
    clr     off(r5)
    .endc
    .endm
;
; .page
;
; local definitions.....
;
; define fortran parameter offsets
;
prm.1    = 2
prm.2    = 4
prm.3    = 6
prm.4    = 10
prm.5    = 12
prm.6    = 14
prm.7    = 16
prm.8    = 20
;
; define adv11 and kwv11 address
;
adcsr    = 170400
asbuf    = adcsr + 2
kwcsr    = 170420
kwbpr    = kwcsr + 2
;
```

```

; define priority mask
;
pr0      = 0
pr7      = 340
;
; define adv csr bit offsets
;
ad.go    = 1      ; start immediately
ad.mad   = 4      ; maint - load all data from mux bit 0
ad.ide   = 10     ; set identify mode
ad.exe   = 20     ; external start enable
ad.cle   = 40     ; clock overflow start enable
ad.ine   = 100    ; enable interrupt on done
ad.don   = 200    ; done/ready/interrupt request
ad.adr   = 400    ; base of mux address (high byte)
ad.ere   = 40000  ; enable interrupt on error
ad.err   = 100000 ; error interrupt request
;
ad.idn   = 10000  ; data buffer identify bit
;
; define kwv csr bit offsets
;
kw.go    = 1      ; start counting immediately
kw.mod   = 2      ; base bit of count mode
kw.rat   = 10     ; base bit of rate specifier
kw.ine   = 100    ; interrupt on overflow enable
kw.ovf   = 200    ; overflag flag/done
km.st1   = 400    ; maint - simulate st1
km.st2   = 1000   ; maint - simulate st2
km.osc   = 2000   ; maint - simulate oscillator single cycle
km.dio   = 4000   ; maint - disable internal oscillator
kw.ovr   = 10000  ; error overrun flag
kw.gs2   = 20000  ; enable start on st2 overflow
kw.s2e   = 40000  ; interrupt on st2 enable
kw.st2   = 100000 ; st2 set flag/ interrupt request
.page
;
; local storage
;
spsave:  .word    0      ; saved sp for error return
chtab:   .word    0      ; storage for channel table address
chcnt:   .word    0      ; temp storage for channel count
kwflag:  .word    0      ; rate mode words for clock
dump:    .word    0      ; place to dump junk
;
; entry point
;
getbuf::
        clr      @ adcsr
        clr      @ kwcsr
        mov      sp,spsave      ; save sp for error return on this par.
        geta     prm.3,r2       ; get address of channel table
        mov      r2,r0          ; copy addr for later
        mov      r2,chtab       ; save address again
        getp     prm.4,r3       ; get number of channels
        mov      r3,r1          ; save for later
        mov      r3,chcnt       ; save count again
;
; check all channels for validity
;
1$:     bitb     C17,(r0)+      ; check for any high bits
        beq     10$           ; continue
        sub     r2,r0          ; calc element in error
        add     10000,r0       ; indicate not a statement no
        pmerr   r0            ; force error call traceback
10$:    dec     r1              ; check all of list
        bne    1$             ;
;

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        geta    prm.1,r0        ; get address of data buffer
        getp    prm.2,r1        ; get count of samples
        mov     r0,r4          ; copy address
        ror     r4              ; get low bit
        bcc     15$            ; odd address if set
        prmerr  prm.1          ; force bad buffer address error
;
15$:    getp    prm.5,r4        ; check clock rate
        bit     C7,r4          ; check clock rate (only 1-7)
        beq     20$            ; ok if equal
        prmerr  prm.5          ; flag parameter number
;
20$:    asl     r4              ; shift
        asl     r4              ;      into
        asl     r4              ;      position
        mov     r4,kwflag      ; save into temp
        getp    prm.6,r4        ; get number of intervals
        neg     r4              ; clock counts up to zero
        mov     r4,@ kwbpr     ; load clock preset buffer
;
        bis     kw.mod*1,kwflag ; set to repeat interval
        mov     kw.go,-(sp)     ; assume no wait
        getp    prm.7,r4        ; get flags word
        bne     30$            ; good guess
        mov     kw.gs2,(sp)     ; set up for wait for st2
30$:    bis     (sp)+,kwflag    ; set into mask word
;
; assume no conversion errors
;
        putp    prm.8          ; clear error indicator
        mov     ad.cle,@ adcsr ; enable clock starts
;
.page
;
; note:
;
; the following code runs at priority 7 ( non-interruptible)
; to make data acquisition as fast as possible. to drive
the adv11-aa
; at its fastest rate the loop below must complete within
about
; 40 microsec nominal. this includes 9 ms settling time for
the amps and
; 32 ms conversion time. at this point all parameters have
been validated
; and set up in the following registers:
;
; r0 - current buffer pointer (next data goes here)
; r1 - number of samples remaining
; r2 - pointer to channel table (next channel to be sampled)
; r3 - channels done in this scan
; r4 - adc csr address
; r5 - fortran argument pointer
;
; main sampling loop...
;
        mtps    pr7            ; lock out interrupts
        mov     adcsr,r4
        mov     kwflag,@ kwcsr ; ok, start up clock
;
bloop:  movb    (r2)+,1(r4)     ;;; set up channel
loop:   tstb    @ adcsr        ;;; wait for adc to finish
        bpl    loop           ;;; loop until done
        mov     2(r4),dump     ;; dump first conv.
        clr    2(r4)
        inc    @ adcsr        ;; then get another

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loop:  tstb    @ adcsr
       bpl    loop
       mov    2(r4),(r0)+    ;;; save away data
       mov    2(r4),dump    ;;; ensure bit 7 unset
       clr    2(r4)
       dec    r3            ;;; count down channels
       beq    10$          ;;; continue
       movb   (r2)+,1(r4)   ;;; set up next channel
       inc    @ adcsr      ;;; start up adc
       br    loop          ;;; go again

10$:
if df errmrk    ;;; errmrk - flag data overruns if eq 0, mark
data if eq 1

       .if eq errmrk-1
       bic    ad.ide,@r4    ;;; assume no error
       .endc
       tst    @r4          ;;; data overrun??
       bpl    20$          ;;; nope
       .if eq errmrk-1
       bis    ad.ide,@r4    ;;; set to mark data in error
       .endc
       dec    @prm.8(r5)    ;;; count errors

20$:
       .endc    ;;; errmrk - flag errors

       mov    chtab,r2     ;;; reset channel table address
       mov    chcnt,r3     ;;; reset channel count
       dec    r4           ;;; count down sample sets
       bne    bloop        ;;; go again

;
; all done now
;
       clr    @ adcsr      ;;; reset adc
       clr    @ kwcsr      ;;; and clock
       mtps   pr0          ; allow interrupts
;
       return              ; return to main program
;
       .end

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APPENDIX E. ARCHITECTURE OF DATA STORAGE FILE

To allow the data to be viewed by the investigator using the available utility routines (pip, etc.), the data are stored as a sequence of four entries per trial. As currently implemented, the first entry is the latency to the most negative excursion within the cursors in the first channel, and the second is the magnitude of the excursion in mV. The third and fourth entries refer to the most negative excursions between the cursor sets on the second channel. The "end of file" mark is implemented as a negative latency.

The data are written into a file with "formatted" and "sequential access" attributes as a series of I5,3F10.4 records.

APPENDIX F. PROGRAMS FOR AUXILIARY ANALYSIS

At present, one auxiliary program exists that uses the data files created to perform subsequent analyses of the data.

PROGRAM: REG.FOR

PURPOSE: To determine interactions between variables

METHOD: Scatterplot of variables shown on VT55 screen and display of Pearson's r calculated for the data set

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